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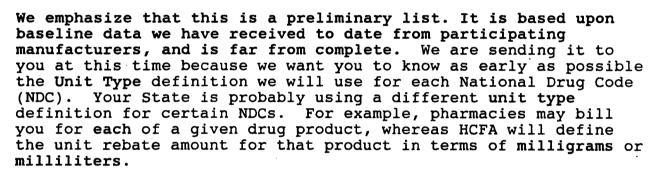
MEDICAID DRUG REBATE PROGRAM Release No. 5

NOTE TO: All State Medicaid Directors

* * * * IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED * * * *

We are mailing a diskette to the person identified as your technical contact for the Drug Rebate Program. The diskette contains an abbreviated listing of acceptable drug product information that we added to our data has a through the class of business on April 2

base through the close of business on April 24, 1991. A record layout accompanies the diskette.



Our diskette contains the National Drug Code, an abbreviated drug product name, and the unit type (ML, SUP, TAB, etc.) reported by the drug labeler. Your staff can use it to identify NDCs for which unit type conversions will be necessary. We will send you in May the complete list of NDCs and related data for the labelers included on the diskette we sent you on March 15. We will later send you a supplemental list for additional manufacturers who submit rebate agreements up through April 30, 1991, effective January 1, 1991.

Please continue to refer your questions to us by calling the Drug Rebate Hotline at (301) 966-3249.

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Director

Medicaid Bureau

2 Enclosures (State Technical Contacts only)

cc: State Technical Contacts

HCFA RECORD SPECIFICATIONS MEDICAID DRUG REBATE DATA RECORD FORMAT

SOURCE: HCFA

TARGET: STATE AGENCIES

FJELD	SIZE	POSITION	REMARKS
LABELER CODE	5	1-5	NDC #1
PRODUCT CODE	4	6-9	NDC #2
PACKAGE SIZE CODE	2	10-11	NDC #3
FDA REG NAME (1ST 10)	10	12-21	1ST 10 OF FDA NAME
UNIT TYPE	3	22-24	PER DATA DICTIONARY
FILLER	2	25-26	BLANK